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I. INTRODUCTION

1. By its resolution 626 (1988) of 20 December 1988, the Security Council decided to establish the United Nations Angola Verification Mission (UNAVEM) for a period of 31 months beginning 3 January 1989. Subsequently, the General Assembly appropriated a total of $19,401,300 gross ($18,802,300 net) for the operation of UNAVEM as follows:

(Thousands of United States dollars)

Resolution No.	Period	Amount	
		Gross	Net
43/231 of 16 Feb. 89	3 Jan. 89-2 Jan. 90	9 193.0	8 962.0
44/190 of 21 Dec. 89	3 Jan. 90-2 Jan. 91	5 826.4	5 616.4
45/246 of 21 Dec. 90	3 Jan. 91-2 Aug. 91	4 381.9	4 223.9
	Total	19 401.3	18 802.3

2. In his report of 6 June 1991, 1/ the Secretary-General informed the Security Council that UNAVEM had accomplished the mandate entrusted to it by the Council on 31 May 1991, that is, two months and two days earlier than its mandate period.

3. On 8 May 1991, the Secretary-General was informed that the Government of Angola and the National Union for the Total Independence of Angola (UNITA) had signed a set of documents 2/ on 1 May 1991 establishing the principles for the implementation of peace in Angola. He was requested to take action in order to ensure the participation of the United Nations in verifying the implementation of the Peace Accords to which both sides had agreed. The Secretary-General was further requested to inform the Security Council of the necessity to prolong the presence of UNAVEM in Angola until general elections had been held during the period between September and November 1992.

4. By its resolution 696 (1991) of 30 May 1991, the Security Council decided to entrust a new mandate to UNAVEM (henceforth UNAVEM II) as proposed by the Secretary-General, in line with the Peace Accords for Angola, for a period of 17 months beginning 1 June 1991. On 27 August 1991, the General Assembly by its resolution 45/269, appropriated an amount of $49,467,000 gross ($49,132,900 net) for the operation of UNAVEM II for the seven-month period from 1 June to 31 December 1991. The Assembly further decided that the surplus of UNAVEM, estimated at $1,421,658 gross ($1,351,258 net) for the earlier period from 3 January 1989 to 31 May 1991, should be credited to Member States against their assessed contributions for the operation of UNAVEM II for the period from 1 June to 31 December 1991. The present report covers the financing of both UNAVEM and UNAVEM II.

II. STATUS OF ASSESSED CONTRIBUTIONS

5. The table below summarizes the status of assessed contributions received and unpaid, taking into account applied credits, as at 30 November 1991. As shown, total outstanding assessments of $23,042,400 are due from Member States for UNAVEM ($823,500) and for UNAVEM II ($22,218,900).

Status of contributions since inception (3 January 1989)
as at 30 November 1991

(In thousands of United States dollars rounded)

	UNAVEM	UNAVEM II	Total
Amount appropriated	19 401.3	49 467.0	68 868.3
Less: Applied credits	(415.5)	(1 605.3)	(2 020.8)
Amount apportioned	18 985.8	47 861.7	66 847.5
Payment received	18 162.3	25 642.8	43 805.1
Balance due	823.5	22 218.9	23 042.4

III. EXPENDITURES OF THE UNITED NATIONS ANGOLA VERIFICATION MISSION FOR THE PERIOD FROM 3 JANUARY 1989 TO 2 JANUARY 1991

6. The Secretary-General reported an unencumbered balance of $1,000,000 gross ($949,500 net) from the resources provided to UNAVEM for the mandate period from 3 January 1989 to 2 January 1991 (A/45/718, para. 6 and annex I). This estimated unencumbered balance was revised to $929,800 gross ($894,900 net) as at 30 November 1991. The main factor that has contributed to the decrease, amounting to $70,200 gross ($54,600 net), was the late receipt of charges relating to salaries and common staff costs of two General Service international staff who were on temporary assignment to UNAVEM.

IV. PERFORMANCE REPORT ON THE UNITED NATIONS ANGOLA VERIFICATION MISSION FOR THE PERIOD FROM 3 JANUARY TO 2 AUGUST 1991

7. Annex I summarizes the initial appropriations for UNAVEM for the period from 3 January to 2 August 1991 and the related expenditures. As indicated in the annex, a balance of $1,528,800 gross ($1,475,600 net) is estimated as unencumbered for that period. The estimated savings are primarily due to the early conclusion of UNAVEM's mandate on 31 May 1991. The assets were retained in the mission area for use by UNAVEM II, thereby avoiding additional start-up costs that would otherwise have been incurred by UNAVEM II.

8. As indicated in paragraph 2 above, UNAVEM was concluded on 31 May 1991, whereas the appropriations covered the period through 2 August 1991. The savings, as detailed in annex I under various budget lines, amount to $1,551,100 and are partially offset by cost overruns amounting to $22,300, resulting in a total savings of $1,528,800 gross ($1,475,600 net).

V. DISPOSITION OF ASSETS OF THE UNITED NATIONS ANGOLA VERIFICATION MISSION

9. On the basis of the performance report on UNAVEM of 16 November 1990 (A/45/718), the General Assembly, in its resolution 45/246, approved the proposal that equipment conforming with established standardization, or considered compatible with existing equipment, or of use in future peace-keeping operations should be placed in reserve upon completion of UNAVEM. As and when such equipment was drawn from the reserve stock, appropriate credit would be recorded in the UNAVEM Special Account. Items that did not meet this criteria would be disposed of locally.

10. In the light of the new mandate of UNAVEM II, such equipment remained in the mission area and was taken into account in the formulation of the cost estimates on UNAVEM II. A full report on the disposition of the assets will be provided to the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions and to the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session.

VI. VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS

11. In paragraph 10 of resolution 45/269, the General Assembly invited Member States to make voluntary contributions to UNAVEM II both in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General. For the period under review, the Swiss Government continued to make available air ambulance service for the repatriation of those wounded or taken ill in the performance of their duties, as and when required. This service was not utilized by the Mission during the period ending 31 October 1991.

VII. PERFORMANCE REPORT ON THE UNITED NATIONS ANGOLA VERIFICATION MISSION II FOR THE PERIOD FROM 1 JUNE TO 31 DECEMBER 1991

12. Annex II sets out by budget-line the initial appropriation provided to UNAVEM II for the mandate period from 1 June to 31 December 1991 and the projected expenditure. It is noted that as at 30 November 1991, an unencumbered balance of $6,900 gross ($2,000 net) is projected in respect of this mandate period. Supplementary information providing detailed description of the expenditure under each line item is provided in annex III. Information on the configuration of the operation by organizational unit and geographical location is provided in annex IV with an indication of the distribution of civilian and military personnel, generators, transportation and communications equipment.

VIII. REVISED COST ESTIMATES OF THE UNITED NATIONS ANGOLA VERIFICATION MISSION II FOR THE PERIOD FROM 1 JANUARY TO 31 OCTOBER 1992

13. The revised cost estimates for the remaining 10-month period from 1 January to 31 October 1992 amount to $53,595,900 gross ($52,577,500 net) representing a reduction of $9,854,600 gross ($10,149,000 net) from the initial cost estimates presented in document A/45/1028. The revised estimates are presented in annex V with supplementary information thereon in annex VI. No provision is made for the costs associated to the closing of the Mission at the end of the current mandate period.

IX. OBSERVATIONS

14. As indicated in paragraph 5 above, as at 30 November 1991, assessed contributions amounting to $23,042,400 in respect of UNAVEM ($823,500) and UNAVEM II ($22,218,900) for the period from its inception to 31 December 1991 remained outstanding. Based on the recorded and projected expenditures for the period from inception to 31 December 1991, it is currently estimated that there will be a cash deficit in the UNAVEM II Special Account of some $21,314,500 unless outstanding contributions are received before 31 December 1991. Details of the projected deficit are shown in annex IX.B. In light of the above, the Secretary-General recommends that no action be taken at this time in connection with the projected net unencumbered balance of $1,021,200 (annex IX.A., item IV), as well as the interest and miscellaneous income of $443,100 (annex IX.B., item 1 (b)), and that these amounts be retained in the UNAVEM II Special Account pending the receipt of the outstanding assessed contributions. Furthermore, the Secretary-General appeals to all Member States to pay their assessments in full and on time.

X. ACTION TO BE TAKEN BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT ITS FORTY-SIXTH SESSION

15. The action that would appear to be required in connection with the financing of UNAVEM II are as follows:

(a) An appropriation of the amount of $53,595,900 gross ($52,577,500 net) for the operation of UNAVEM II for the period from 1 January to 31 October 1992 and for the apportionment thereof;

(b) A decision to retain the unencumbered balance of appropriations and interest and miscellaneous income in the UNAVEM II Special Account in light of the outstanding assessed contributions.

Notes

1/ S/22678.

2/ S/22609.

ANNEX I

United Nations Angola Verification Mission

Performance report for the period from 3 January to 2 August 1991

Summary statement

(In thousands of United States dollars)

	Initial appropriation	Expenditure	Savings/ (overruns)
1. Military observers			
(a) Mission subsistence allowance	1 720.0	1 197.6	522.4
(b) Official travel	252.1	62.6	189.5
(c) Clothing allowance	6.1	6.1	-
	1 978.2	1 266.3	711.9
2. Civilian staff costs			
(a) International staff salaries	478.2	248.9	229.3
(b) Locally recruited staff salaries	90.0	52.9	37.1
(c) Common staff costs	400.0	300.7	99.3
(d) Mission subsistence allowance	571.1	362.6	208.5
(e) Official travel	12.0	10.4	1.6
	1 551.3	975.5	575.8
3. Maintenance of premises			
(a) Rental of premises	216.0	216.0	-
(b) Maintenance of premises	6.0	-	6.0
(c) Utilities	2.4	0.5	1.9
(d) Sanitation and cleaning materials	2.0	2.9	(0.9)
	226.4	219.4	7.0
4. Purchase of transportation equipment			
(a) Vehicle spare parts	26.0	24.6	1.4
(b) Petrol, oil and lubricants	80.0	87.4	(7.4)
(c) Vehicle workshop equipment	2.0	0.9	1.1
(d) Vehicle insurance	7.0	3.6	3.4
	115.0	116.5	(1.5)

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	Initial appropriation	Expenditure	Savings/ (overruns)
5. Purchase of communications equipment and services			
(a) Generators	4.0	-	4.0
(b) Maintenance and workshop equipment	3.0	-	3.0
(c) Communications supplies and spare parts	20.0	31.8	(11.8)
(d) Telephone, telex, post office box rentals and pouch services	21.0	9.8	11.2
	48.0	41.6	6.4
6. Purchase of other equipment			
Office furniture and equipment	3.0	0.6	2.4
7. Supplies and services			
(a) External audit	5.0	5.0	-
(b) Official hospitality	2.0	-	2.0
(c) Miscellaneous services	7.6	9.8	(2.2)
(d) Medical supplies and services	15.0	8.8	6.2
(e) Stationery and office supplies	5.0	0.6	4.4
(f) Subscriptions	2.4	0.4	2.0
(g) Uniform clothing and other supplies	5.0	0.7	4.3
	42.0	25.3	16.7
8. Freight and cartage	160.0	3.1	156.9
9. Death and disability awards	100.0	100.0	-
10. Staff assessment	158.0	104.8	53.2
Total, lines 1-10	4 381.9	2 853.1	1 528.8
11. Income from staff assessment	(158.0)	(104.8)	(53.2)
Net expenditure	4 223.9	2 748.3	1 475.6

ANNEX II

United Nations Angola Verification Mission II

Performance report for the period from 1 June to 31 December 1991

Summary statement

(In thousands of United States dollars)

	Initial appropriation	Projected expenditure	Savings/ (overruns)
1. Military observers			
(a) Mission subsistence allowance	6 135.6	5 700.8	434.8
(b) Official travel	1 044.0	1 256.1	(212.1)
(c) Clothing allowance	37.4	36.4	1.0
	7 217.0	6 993.3	223.7
2. Civilian personnel costs			
(a) Civilian police			
(i) Mission subsistence allowance	1 337.4	959.0	378.4
(ii) Official travel	216.0	307.9	(91.9)
(iii) Clothing allowance	9.0	9.0	-
	1 562.4	1 275.9	286.5
(b) International and local staff			
(i) International staff salaries	1 260.2	1 009.9	250.3
(ii) Locally recruited staff salaries	417.4	399.0	18.4
(iii) Common staff costs	1 595.2	922.9	672.3
(iv) Mission subsistence allowance	1 484.5	1 285.5	199.0
(v) Official travel	60.0	64.4	(4.4)
	4 817.3	3 681.7	1 135.6

	Initial appropriation	Projected expenditure	Savings/ (overruns)
3. Premises			
(a) Rental of premises	345.8	2 151.0	(1 805.2)
(b) Maintenance of premises	156.0	60.0	96.0
(c) Utilities	101.2	20.0	81.2
(d) Prefabricated buildings	8 094.8	12 390.4	(4 295.6)
	8 697.8	14 621.4	(5 923.6)
4. Transportation operations			
(a) Purchase of vehicles	4 495.8	4 407.6	88.2
(b) Repair and maintenance	120.0	177.2	(57.2)
(c) Petrol, oil and lubricants	300.0	361.2	(61.2)
(d) Vehicle workshop equipment	60.0	30.0	30.0
(d) Vehicle insurance	20.0	36.7	(16.7)
	4 995.8	5 012.7	(16.9)
5. Air operations			
(a) Helicopter operations			
(i) Basic hire costs	10 856.4	4 126.2	6 730.2
(ii) Positioning costs	336.0	673.6	(337.6)
(iii) Fuel	471.9	385.0	86.9
	11 664.3	5 184.8	6 479.5
(b) Fixed-wing aircraft			
(i) Basic hire costs	2 366.6	2 930.9	(564.3)
(ii) Fuel	1 030.3	1 034.0	(3.7)
	3 396.9	3 964.9	(568.0)
6. Purchase of communications equipment and services			
(a) Communications equipment	3 016.5	3 180.0	(163.5)
(b) Generators	943.4	1 404.3	(460.9)
(c) Generator parts	30.0	194.7	(164.7)
(d) Maintenance and workshop equipment	121.2	81.9	39.3
(e) Communications supplies and spare parts	100.0	433.9	(333.9)
(f) Electrical supplies	90.0	95.0	(5.0)
(g) Commercial communications	116.8	32.3	84.5
	4 417.9	5 422.1	(1 004.2)

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		Initial appropriation	Projected expenditure	Savings/ (overruns)
7.	Purchase of other equipment			
	(a) Office furniture and equipment	347.0	276.5	70.5
	(b) Accommodation equipment	230.0	188.0	42.0
	(c) Medical equipment	40.0	16.0	24.0
	(d) Fuel/water tanks, pumps and metering equipment	150.0	364.6	(214.6)
	(e) Water purification equipment	115.0	55.2	59.8
	(f) Maintenance/parts other equipment	20.0	46.5	(26.5)
	(g) Miscellaneous other equipment	75.0	40.0	35.0
		977.0	986.8	(9.8)
8.	Supplies and services			
	(a) External audit	-	-	-
	(b) Official hospitality	2.0	17.0	(15.0)
	(c) Contractual services	28.0	37.0	(9.0)
	(d) Medical services and examinations	20.0	15.0	5.0
	(e) Medical supplies	45.0	92.9	(47.9)
	(f) Stationery and office supplies	63.0	31.1	31.9
	(g) Subscriptions	8.0	0.9	7.1
	(h) Sanitation and cleaning materials	42.0	1.9	40.1
	(i) Claims and adjustments	2.0	2.0	0.0
	(j) Uniform clothing and other supplies	20.0	9.6	10.4
	(k) Other supplies and services	70.0	345.5	(275.5)
		300.0	552.9	(252.9)
9.	Freight and cartage	480.0	827.9	(347.9)
10.	Death and disability awards	200.0	200.0	-
11.	Support account for peace-keeping operations	406.5	406.5	-
12.	Staff assessment	334.1	329.2	4.9
	Total, lines 1-12	49 467.0	49 460.1	6.9
13.	Income from staff assessment	(334.1)	(329.2)	(4.9)
	Net expenditure	49 132.9	49 130.9	2.0

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ANNEX III

United Nations Angola Verification Mission II

Supplementary information on the performance report for the period from 1 June to 31 December 1991

	Savings/ (overruns) $
1. Military observers	223 700

The projected savings of $435,800 under mission subsistence allowance ($434,800) and clothing allowance ($1,000) due to delay in the actual phasing in of the military and medical personnel and the non-deployment of 10 air military personnel as initially anticipated were partly offset by additional requirements of $212,100 for official travel due to travel costs higher than budgeted for.

2. Civilian personnel costs	
(a) Civilian police	286 500

Projected savings of $378,400 under mission subsistence allowance due to delay in the actual phasing in of the civilian police monitors were partly offset by additional requirements of $91,900 for official travel due to travel costs higher than budgeted for.

(b) International and local staff	1 135 600

Savings of $1,140,000 under salaries of international and locally recruited staff due to vacancies ($268,700), common staff costs ($672,300) and mission subsistence allowance ($199,000) were partly offset by additional requirements of $4,400 for official travel.

3. Premises	(5 923 600)

Additional requirement of $6,100,800 under rental of premises and prefabricated buildings are due to the delay in the arrival of the prefabricated buildings. Civilian and military personnel had to be accommodated in hotels ($1,805,200). The actual cost of prefabricated building is in excess of the original estimate ($4,295,600). These overexpenditures were partly offset by savings of $177,200 under maintenance of premises ($96,000) and utilities ($81,200).

4. Transportation operations (16 900)

Overexpenditures of $135,100 under repair and maintenance ($57,200), petrol, oil and lubricants ($61,200) and vehicle insurance ($16,700) were partly offset by savings of $118,200 under purchase of vehicles ($88,200) and vehicle workshop equipment ($30,000).

5. Air operations

(a) Helicopter operations 6 479 500

Savings of $6,817,100 under basic hire costs ($6,730,200) and fuel ($86,900) were partly offset by additional requirements of $337,600 for positioning costs.

(b) Fixed-wing aircraft (568 000)

Projected over-expenditures under this heading resulted from additional requirements of $564,300 under basic hire costs and $3,700 under fuel.

6. Purchase of communications equipment and services (1 004 200)

Projected over-expenditures of $1,128,000 are due to changes in the operational requirements for communications equipment ($163,500), generators ($460,900), generator parts ($164,700), communications supplies and spares ($333,900) and electrical supplies ($5,000), which were partly offset by projected savings of $123,800 under maintenance and workshop equipment ($39,300), and commercial communications ($84,500).

7. Purchase of other equipment (9 800)

Projected savings of $231,300 under office furniture and other equipment ($70,500), accommodation equipment ($42,000), medical equipment ($24,000), water purification equipment ($59,800) and miscellaneous other equipment ($35,000) were partly offset by additional requirements of $241,100 for fuel/water tanks, pumps and metering equipment ($214,600) and maintenance/parts other equipment ($26,500).

8. Supplies and services (252 900)

Projected over-expenditure of $347,400 under official hospitality ($15,000), contractual services ($9,000), medical supplies ($47,900) and other supplies and services ($275,500) were partly offset by savings of $94,500 under medical services and examinations ($5,000), stationery and office supplies ($31,900), subscriptions ($7,100), sanitation and cleaning materials ($40,100) and uniforms and clothing ($10,400).

9. Freight and cartage (347 900)

Overexpenditures under this heading were due to higher actual expenses incurred than originally estimated.

10. Death and disability awards -

The amount allocated has been fully obligated to satisfy potential claims.

11. Support account for peace-keeping operations -

The amount authorized has been transferred to the support account for peace-keeping operations.

12. Staff assessment 4 900

Savings of $4,900 are projected under this heading.

13. Income from staff assessment (4 900)

This amount is derived from item 12 above.

ANNEX IV

United Nations Angola Verification Mission II

Distribution of civilian and military personnel, generators, transportation and communications equipment by geographical location as at 30 November 1991

	Mission HQ	Regional HQs	Outstations	Total
A. Civilian and military personnel				
1. Civilian staff				
International staff	62	7	-	69
Local level staff	76	12	-	88
Subtotal	138	19	-	157
2. Military observers	33	90	224	347
3. Medical personnel	2	12	-	14
4. Civilian police monitors	10	30	50	90
Subtotal	45	132	274	451
Total civilian and military personnel	183	151	274	608
B. Generators				
5.0 KVA	-	-	20	20
10.7 KVA	9	-	66	75
36.0 KVA	5	-	54	59
55.0 KVA	1	5	-	6
170.0 KVA	9	-	-	9
255.0 KVA	2	-	-	2
Total number of generators	26	5	140	171
C. Transportation equipment				
1. Sedans	10	-	-	10
2. Patrol vehicles 4x4	22	48	117	187
3. Minibus	3	-	-	3
4. Truck cargo	6	1	-	7
5. Truck recovery	1	-	-	1
6. Ambulance	1	-	-	1
7. Forklift	1	6	-	7
8. Trailers - water/fuel	-	24	100	124
Total number of transportation equipment	44	79	217	340

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	Mission HQ	Regional HQs	Outstations	Total
D. Communications equipment				
1. Base stations				
HF stations	1	1	54	56
VHF stations	1	1	19	21
Subtotal	2	2	73	77
2. Vehicular stations				
HF stations	10	12	65	87
VHF stations	39	25	65	129
Subtotal	49	37	130	216
Total number of communications equipment	51	39	203	293

ANNEX V

United Nations Angola Verification Mission II

Revised cost estimates for the period from 1 January to 31 October 1992

Summary statement

(In thousands of United States dollars)

	Initial cost estimates	Increase/ (decrease)	Revised cost estimates
1. Military observers			
(a) Mission subsistence allowance	11 488.0	(97.9)	11 390.1
(b) Official travel	1 348.8	2 651.4	4 000.2
(c) Clothing allowance	62.4	(1.7)	60.7
	12 899.2	2 551.8	15 451.0
2. Civilian personnel costs			
(a) Civilian police			
(i) Mission subsistence allowance	2 770.0	11.0	2 781.0
(ii) Official travel	345.6	302.4	648.0
(iii) Clothing allowance	15.0	-	15.0
	3 130.6	313.4	3 444.0
(b) International and local staff			
(i) International staff salaries	2 251.0	1 024.3	3 275.3
(ii) Locally recruited staff salaries	771.1	(2.3)	768.8
(iii) Common staff costs	2 862.6	183.7	3 046.3
(iv) Mission subsistence allowance	2 391.6	48.4	2 440.0
(v) Official travel	122.0	(62.0)	60.0
	8 398.3	1 192.1	9 590.4

	Initial cost estimates	Increase/ (decrease)	Revised cost estimates
3. Premises			
(a) Rental of premises	532.0	1 314.0	1 846.0
(b) Maintenance of premises	120.0	-	120.0
(c) Utilities	166.0	-	166.0
	818.0	1 314.0	2 132.0
4. Transportation operations			
(a) Purchase of vehicles	-	568.0	568.0
(b) Repair and maintenance	180.0	-	180.0
(c) Petrol, oil and lubricants	550.0	-	550.0
(d) Vehicle workshop equipment	30.0	-	30.0
(e) Vehicle insurance	30.4	-	30.4
	790.4	568.0	1 358.4
5. Air operations			
(a) Helicopter operations			
(i) Basic hire costs	24 110.1	(15 662.1)	8 448.0
(ii) Depositioning costs	1 290.0	(1 038.0)	252.0
(iii) Fuel	943.8	-	943.8
	26 343.9	(16 700.1)	9 643.8
(b) Fixed-wing aircraft			
(i) Basic hire costs	6 700.0	-	6 700.0
(ii) Fuel	1 800.6	(0.1)	1 800.5
	8 500.6	(0.1)	8 500.5
6. Communications equipment and services			
(a) Generator parts	66.0	202.0	268.0
(b) Communications supplies and spare parts	192.0	-	192.0
(c) Electrical supplies	30.0	-	30.0
(d) Commercial communications	172.6	(5.8)	166.8
	460.6	196.2	656.8

		Initial cost estimates	Increase/ (decrease)	Revised cost estimates
7.	Other equipment			
	(a) Maintenance/parts other equipment	38.0	-	38.0
8.	Supplies and services			
	(a) External audit	6.0	4.4	10.4
	(b) Official hospitality	4.0	-	4.0
	(c) Contractual services	40.0	-	40.0
	(d) Medical services and examination	40.0	-	40.0
	(e) Medical supplies	53.0	-	53.0
	(f) Stationery and office supplies	60.0	-	60.0
	(g) Subscriptions	4.0	-	4.0
	(h) Sanitation and cleaning materials	60.0	-	60.0
	(i) Claims and adjustments	6.0	-	6.0
	(j) Uniform clothing and other supplies	15.0	-	15.0
	(k) Other supplies and services	80.0	220.0	300.0
		368.0	224.4	592.4
9.	Freight and cartage	65.0	-	65.0
10.	Death and disability awards	200.0	-	200.0
11.	Support account for peace-keeping operations	713.9	101.3	815.2
12.	Integrated Management Information System	-	90.0	90.0
13.	Staff assessment	724.0	294.4	1 018.4
	Total, lines 1-13	63 450.5	(9 854.6)	53 595.9
14.	Income from staff assessment	(724.0)	(294.4)	(1 018.4)
	Net expenditure	62 726.5	(10 149.0)	52 577.5

ANNEX VI

United Nations Angola Verification Mission

Supplementary information on the revised cost estimates for the period from 1 January to 31 October 1992

I. Cost parameters

The cost requirements for the 10-month period beginning 1 January 1992 were estimated based on the parameters provided below.

(a) Mission subsistence allowance

The mission subsistence rates for UNAVEM II were revised effective 15 August 1991 from the prior rate of $142 for the first 30 days and $100 per day thereafter to $100 per day from the date of arrival.

(b) Rotation/travel cost to and from the mission area

An average rotation/travel cost of $3,600 per person has been used for each one-way trip to and from the mission area by commercial air, including 100 kilograms of unaccompanied baggage and travel subsistence allowance where applicable, for all mission personnel.

(c) Civilian personnel costs

Salaries and common staff costs of international staff are net of staff assessment and are based on New York standard rates after incorporating the latest post adjustment classification effective 1 November 1991

II. Requirements

1. Military observers

(a) Mission subsistence allowance $11 390 100

Provision is made for mission subsistence allowance for 364 military personnel (350 observers, 14 medical) for 309 days, inclusive of an overlap of four days for each military personnel during rotation. Provision of $142,500 is also included under this item to cover the mission subsistence allowance ($103,500) of 23 engineering personnel temporarily deployed from one or more peace-keeping missions in the Middle East, for a period of 45 days and for standard troop costs reimbursement ($39,900).

(b) Travel $4 000 200

Provision is made for 364 round-trip commercial air fares for rotation travel and 364 one-way commercial air fares for repatriation travel of the military personnel at the end of the mandate period. Provision of $69,000 is also made for 23 one-way commercial airfares for the engineering unit indicated above.

(c) Clothing allowance $60 700

Provision is made for the payment of a clothing allowance at the rate of $200 per annum per person.

2. Civilian police monitors

(a) Mission subsistence allowance $2 781 000

Provision is made for subsistence allowance for 90 civilian police monitors for 309 days, inclusive of an overlap of four days for each police monitor during rotation.

(b) Travel $648 000

Provision is made for 90 round-trip commercial air fares for rotation travel and 90 one-way commercial air fares for repatriation travel at the end of the mandate period.

(c) Clothing allowance $15 000

Provision is made for the payment of a clothing allowance at the rate of $200 per annum per person.

3. Civilian staff costs

International and local staff costs

The staffing table of UNAVEM is set out in annex VII and reflects an addition of one P-4 (political officer) and one P-3 (interpreter/translator). Calculations of personnel costs for the civilian staff are shown in annex VIII.

(a) International staff salaries $3 275 300

Salaries of internationally recruited staff are estimated for 80 posts as detailed in annex VIII.

(b) Locally recruited staff salaries $768 800

Calculation of salaries of 75 locally recruited staff is based on local salary scales applicable to the mission area.

(c) Common staff costs $3 046 300

Common staff costs are estimated as detailed in annex VIII. Also included is a provision for 80 one-way commercial air fare repatriation travel ($288,000) at the end of the mandate period.

(d) Mission subsistence allowance $2 440 000

The estimate provides for the mission subsistence allowance for 80 international staff members for the 10-month period.

(e) Official travel $60 000

This estimate provides for official travel between New York and the mission area consisting of 10 round-trip air fares at an average cost of $6,000 each, including 8 days subsistence allowance.

4. Premises

(a) Rental of premises $1 846 000

Provision is made for the continued rental of the 17 buildings on the compound at Luanda where UNAVEM headquarters is located. The facilities provide living accommodation for UNAVEM's personnel at $54,400 per month for 10 months ($544,000). Provision is also made for the rental of 14 additional premises outside Luanda, at an average monthly rental of $9,300 per month per location ($1,302,000).

(b) Maintenance of premises $120 000

Provision is made for supplies and services for general maintenance and upkeep of facilities at all locations throughout the mission area estimated at $12,000 per month.

(c) Utilities $166 000

Provision is made for water and electricity charges at Luanda estimated at $1,600 monthly for 10 months ($16,000) and at five regional headquarters outside Luanda estimated at $800 each monthly for 10 months ($40,000). Provision is also made for fuel to operate the electrical generators at the 50 assembly areas and 12 critical points to provide power for the communication equipment and appliances estimated at $11,000 monthly for 10 months ($110,000).

5. Transportation operations

(a) Purchase of vehicles $568 000

Provision is made for the purchase of 40 additional vehicles, at an average cost of $14,200 each, to meet the urgent operational requirements identified during the deployment stage.

(b) Repair and maintenance $180 000

The estimates cover the cost of spare parts for the maintenance of vehicles, including tyres, batteries and major assemblies for the vehicle fleet of the Mission ($130,000). The estimate also includes the cost of outside commercial repairs and contractual maintenance ($50,000).

(c) Petrol, oil and lubricants $550 000

Provision is made for the purchase of gasoline, motor oil and other petroleum products for use in the operation of motor vehicles.

(d) Workshop equipment $30 000

Provision is made for upgrading the facilities at each of the five regional headquarters and replacement of worn-out tools and equipment used in the workshop.

(e) Insurance $30 400

This estimate provides for the cost of third-party liability insurance carried by the Mission to cover its fleet of motor vehicles.

6. Air operations

(a) Helicopter operations

(i) Basic hire cost $8 448 000

Provision is made for the continued commercial hiring of 12 medium-size utility helicopters for 10 months, at a fixed monthly rental of $70,400 per unit inclusive of 55 minimum monthly flight hours for each helicopter and accommodation of its personnel.

(ii) Depositioning costs $252 000

Provision is made for the depositioning costs of the 12 helicopters at $21,000 per unit as specified in the rental agreement.

(iii) Aviation fuel $943 800

It is estimated that each of the 12 helicopters will consume 110 gallons of fuel per hour at the cost of $1.30 per gallon for a total of 726,000 gallons.

(b) Fixed-wing aircraft

(i) Basic hire costs $6 700 000

Provision is made for the commercial hiring of three fixed-wing aircraft consisting of one medium passenger and two heavy cargo transport aircraft for a period of 10 months. The hiring cost of the medium passenger aircraft all inclusive, except for fuel, is estimated at $2,000 per hour with a minimum of 90 flight hours per month ($1,800,000). The hiring cost for the two heavy cargo aircraft is based on fixed flight operation schedules totalling 175 flight hours per month at an all inclusive hourly rate, except fuel, of $2,800 per hour ($4,900,000).

(ii) Aviation fuel $1 800 500

Provision is made based on the fuel consumption rate of 275 and 650 gallons per hour for the medium passenger and heavy cargo transport aircraft, respectively, at $1.30 per gallon. It is estimated that a total of 1,385,000 gallons of aviation fuel will be required for the three fixed-wing aircraft for a period of 10 months.

7. Communications equipment and services

(a) Generators spare parts $268 000

Provision is made for the acquisition of generator spare parts for the repair and maintenance of generators in the Mission.

(b) Communication supplies and spare parts $192 000

Requirements under this heading relate to supplies and spares for all of the communication equipment acquired for the Mission.

(c) Electrical supplies $30 000

Provision is made for electrical materials for maintenance and repair of electrical installations throughout the mission area.

(d) Commercial communications $166 800

Provisions made under this heading include the following:

(i) hire charges for one half segment of a satellite transponder at $21,250 per quarter ($70,800);

(ii) pouch service between New York and Luanda estimated at $2,200 per month ($22,000);

(iii) limited usage of commercial satellite communications estimated at $1,700 monthly ($17,000);

(iv) telephone rental and user charges estimated at $3,500 monthly ($35,000);

(v) cables, telexes, postage plus rental of post office boxes estimated at $2,200 monthly ($22,000).

8. Purchase of other equipment

(a) Maintenance/parts other equipment $38 000

Provision is made for the repair and maintenance of office and other equipment throughout the mission area.

9. Supplies and services

(a) Audit services $10 400

Provision is made to cover the cost of external audit for the Mission.

(b) Official hospitality $4 000

Provision is made for hospitality to local dignitaries in the context of good will in the official interest of the Mission.

(c) Contractual services $40 000

Provision is made for interpretation and translation services, garbage removal, and limited contractual cleaning services.

(d) Medical services and examinations $40 000

Provision is made for medical services and exit examinations in respect of observers and civilian police of the Mission.

(e) Medical supplies $53 000

Provision is made for the purchase of medicines, vaccines, anti-malaria tablets, dressing, bandages for the Mission.

(f) Stationery and office supplies $60 000

Provision is made for the purchase of stationery and office supplies, local printing, reproduction materials and data-processing supplies, estimated at an average of $6,000 per month.

(g) Subscriptions $4 000

Provision is made for subscription to newspapers, periodicals, airline tariffs, legal publications and library books.

(h) Sanitation and cleaning materials $60 000

Provision is made to cover cleaning materials, insecticide, chlorine, chemical supplies for toilets and other sanitation supplies for the Mission.

(i) Claims and adjustments $6 000

Provision is made to satisfy miscellaneous claims and adjustments arising from day-to-day operations in the Mission, except for third-party vehicle accident claims, which are covered under the vehicle insurance policy.

(j) Uniforms and clothing $15 000

Provision is made for United Nations accoutrements for military observers and civilian police monitors, including blue berets, cap badges, armlets, field caps, scarves, uniforms for field service personnel, local drivers and protective clothing for mechanics.

(k) Other supplies and services $300 000

Provision is made to cover supplies and services not shown elsewhere in the budget, such as butages for cooking, including gas cylinders, oxygen and acetylene refills, refills for fire extinguishers, other expendable general stores and bank charges.

10. Freight and cartage $65 000

Provision is made for the cost of shipping, handling and forwarding charges to and from the mission area, which has not been provided for elsewhere.

11. Death and disability awards $200 000

Provision is made under this heading for claims that may arise from the death, disability, injury or illness of military observers and civilian police monitors, resulting from their assignment to UNAVEM II.

12. Support account for peace-keeping operations $815 200

In accordance with the methodology proposed for the funding of posts authorized from the support account for peace-keeping operations, provision is made hereunder based on 8.5 percent of the total cost for salaries, common staff costs and travel of the civilian staff members in the mission area.

13. Integrated Management Information System $90 000

Provision is made for a proportionate share of the 1992 financing of the Integrated Management Information System (IMIS) indicated in the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1992-1993.

14. Staff assessment $1 018 400

Staff costs have been shown on a net basis under line item 3 above. The estimate under this heading represents the difference between gross and net emoluments, that is the amount of staff assessment to which United Nations staff members are subject, in accordance with the Staff Regulations of the United Nations.

15. Income from staff assessment ($1 018 400)

The salaries and related emoluments of United Nations staff members are subject to assessment at rates stated in regulation 3.3 of the Staff Regulations of the United Nations. All revenue derived from staff assessment that is not otherwise disposed of by specific resolution of the General Assembly is credited to the Tax Equalization Fund established by the General Assembly in its resolution 973 A (X) of 15 December 1955. Member States are given credit in that Fund in proportion to their rates of contribution to the UNAVEM budget. The staff assessment requirement provided for under budget line item 14 above (Staff assessment) has been credited to this item as income from staff assessment.

ANNEX VII

Current and proposed staffing table of the United Nations Angola Verification Mission II

Grade	Number of posts	
	Current	Proposed
Professional category and above		
ASG	1	1
D-1	2	2
P-4	1	2
P-3	3	4
Subtotal	7	9
General Service and other categories		
General/Field Services	71	71
Local level	75	75
Subtotal	146	146
Total	153	155

ANNEX VIII

Civilian staff and related costs of the United Nations Angola Verification Mission II

(Thousands of United States dollars)

	No. of persons	Person/ months	Annual standard costs			Estimated total costs		
			Salary	CSC	Asses.	Salary	CSC	Asses.
Seven months								
ASG	1	10	104.9	42.8	45.9	87.4	35.7	38.3
D-1	2	20	85.4	34.8	34.6	142.3	58.0	57.7
P-4	2	20	68.0	27.8	24.8	113.3	46.3	41.3
P-3	4	40	56.1	22.9	18.4	187.0	76.3	61.3
FS/GS	71	710	46.4	41.8	12.8	2 745.3	2 473.2	757.3
Subtotal	80					3 275.8	2 689.5	955.9
Local staff	75	750	12.3	1.1	1.0	768.8	68.8	62.5
Total	155					4 044.1	2 758.3	1 018.4

Annex IX

United Nations Angola Verification Mission II

A. Summary of resources made available and operating costs for the mandate periods ending 31 December 1991 as at 30 November 1991

(In thousands of United States dollars rounded)

	Gross	Net
I. Resources		
(a) Appropriation 3 January 1989 to 2 January 1990	9 193.0	8 962.0
(b) Appropriation 3 January 1990 to 2 January 1991	5 826.4	5 616.4
(c) Appropriation 3 January to 31 May 1991	4 381.9	4 223.9
(d) Appropriation 1 June to 31 December 1991	49 467.0	49 132.9
Subtotal I	68 868.3	67 935.2
II. Operating costs		
(a) 3 January 1989 to 2 January 1990	8 263.2	8 071.5
(b) 3 January 1990 to 2 January 1991	5 826.4	5 612.0
(c) 3 January to 31 May 1991	2 853.1	2 748.3
(d) 1 June to 31 December 1991	49 460.1	49 130.9
Subtotal II	66 402.8	65 562.7
TOTAL I less II	2 465.5	2 372.5
III. Credits to Member States		
1 May to 31 December 1991	1 421.7	1 351.3
IV. Unencumbered balance	1 043.8	1 021.2

B. Projected cash position for the mandate periods ending 31 December 1991 as at 30 November 1991

(In thousands of United States dollars rounded)

		Gross	Net
I.	Income		
	(a) Assessed contributions received (para. 5)		
	UNAVEM	18 162.3	
	UNAVEM II	25 642.8	
	(b) Interest and miscellaneous income	443.1	44 248.2
II.	Less net operating costs		
	(a) 3 January 1989 to 2 January 1990	8 071.5	
	(b) 3 January 1990 to 2 January 1991	5 612.0	
	(c) 3 January 1991 to 31 May 1991	2 748.3	
	(d) 1 June 1991 to 31 December 1991	49 130.9	65 562.7
III.	Projected cash deficit		(21 314.5)

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GENERAL AND COMPLETE DISARMAMENT: REGIONAL DISARMAMENT

Letter dated 9 December 1991 from the Permanent Representatives of Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru and Venezuela to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

We have the honour to transmit to you herewith the Declaration adopted by the Heads of State of the Andean countries on the renunciation of weapons of mass destruction, signed at Cartagena, Colombia, on 5 December. We should be grateful if you would have it circulated as an official document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 60 (1) of the forty-sixth session.

(Signed) Ambassador Hugo NAVAJAS-MOGRO
Permanent Representative of Bolivia

(Signed) Ambassador Fernando CEPEDA
Permanent Representative of Colombia

(Signed) Ambassador José AYALA LASSO
Permanent Representative of Ecuador

(Signed) Ricardo V. LUNA
Permanent Representative of Peru

(Signed) Ambassador Diego ARRIA
Permanent Representative of Venezuela

ANNEX

Cartagena Declaration on the the renunciation of weapons of mass destruction

The Presidents of the member countries of the Andean Group, meeting in the city of Cartagena,

Considering that the fundamental changes in international relations resulting from the relaxation of tension between East and West and the end of the cold war have great historical significance and offer new opportunities for strengthening international peace and security,

Conscious that in the present global process of relaxation of tension, international security and cooperation, particularly in Latin America and the Caribbean, must be viewed from an overall perspective linked to the strengthening of democracy, the fostering of a climate of neighbourly peace, the full enjoyment of human rights and the promotion of the economic and social well-being of our peoples,

Resolved to contribute to the global process of international relaxation of tension currently under way,

Resolved to ensure that weapons of mass destruction are not introduced into Latin America and the Caribbean, since that would trigger a disastrous arms race, and thereby limit the allocation and transfer of greater financial resources for the social and economic development of the region,

Prepared to strengthen the role of the Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean of 1967 (Treaty of Tlatelolco) and the protocols thereto, and to extend that prohibition to all categories of weapons of mass destruction so as to transform this region into a zone free of such weapons,

Reaffirming support for the Acapulco Commitment to Peace, Development and Democracy adopted at the first Summit Meeting of the Heads of State of the Permanent Mechanism for Consultation and Concerted Political Action, which states that the concept of security in our region must deal not only with the peace and stability aspects but also with those relating to political, economic and financial vulnerability,

Endorsing the Guadalajara Declaration which seeks to promote conventional disarmament, to prohibit weapons of mass destruction and to ensure that measures for controlling and reducing the latter do not stand in the way of legitimate access to advanced technologies for peaceful uses, since these are indispensable for the social and economic development of the peoples of the region,

Supporting the subregional and multilateral commitments in favour of disarmament, including the Treaty on the Non-proliferation of Nuclear Weapons,

the Declaration of Ayacucho of 1974, the Andean commitment to peace and cooperation and the Foz de Iguazú Declaration concerning the joint nuclear policy of Argentina and Brazil; and also the resolutions concerning cooperation for security in the hemisphere and limitation of the proliferation of instruments of war and weapons of mass destruction adopted by the Organization of American States at its twenty-first General Assembly, the Declaration concerning the use of nuclear energy exclusively for peaceful purposes, signed by the Presidents of Argentina and Brazil, and the Mendoza Accord,

Agree to the following Declaration:

1. Welcome the initiative by the Government of Peru concerning the prohibition of weapons of mass destruction in Latin America and the Caribbean as the start of a gradual process for strengthening security and mutual confidence in the region.

2. Express the commitment of their Governments to renounce the possession, production, development, use, testing and transfer of all weapons of mass destruction, whether nuclear, bacteriological (biological), toxin or chemical, and to refrain, under any circumstances, from stockpiling, acquiring or retaining such categories of weapons.

3. Reaffirm the inalienable right of their peoples to take advantage, through international cooperation, of scientific and technical developments exclusively for peaceful uses in the field of nuclear energy, biology and the chemical industry and, likewise, to accede to space technologies.

4. Call on the countries possessing technology for the production of weapons of mass destruction to strengthen effectively the systems for controlling the transfer of such technologies.

5. Request the countries possessing weapons of mass destruction to undertake not to use such weapons and not to threaten the Parties to the present Declaration with their use.

6. Announce their intention to be founding signatories to the convention on the complete and effective prohibition of the development, production, stockpiling and use of chemical weapons and on their destruction, to which end they express their support for the negotiations of the Conference on Disarmament for the adoption of the convention on chemical weapons in 1992.

7. Support the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction of 1972 and the negotiations to strengthen its verification machinery.

8. Declare their willingness to promote the transformation of Latin America and the Caribbean into the first inhabited area of the world free from weapons of mass destruction.

9. State that the responsibility for prohibiting the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction and for halting the arms race lies with the international community as a whole, but particularly with those who possess nuclear weapons.

10. Consider prompt discontinuance of nuclear tests of all types to be the best means of putting an end to the increasing sophistication of nuclear weapons and the development of new types of such weapons.

11. Appeal to the other Governments of the region to accede to the present Declaration, and to the entire international community, in general, to support the objectives and purposes enunciated therein and to refrain from any action which might weaken the spirit of this Declaration.

Cartagena, 4 December 1991

Jaime PAZ ZAMORA
President of Bolivia

César GAVIRIA TRUJILLO
President of Colombia

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President of Ecuador

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APPOINTMENTS TO FILL VACANCIES IN SUBSIDIARY ORGANS AND OTHER APPOINTMENTS

Confirmation of the appointment of the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development

Note by the Secretary-General

1. Section II, paragraph 27, of General Assembly resolution 1995 (XIX) of 30 December 1964 provides that the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development shall be appointed by the Secretary-General of the United Nations and that his appointment shall be confirmed by the Assembly.

2. By its decision 43/313 of 29 November 1988, the General Assembly, on the proposal of the Secretary-General, confirmed the extension of the appointment of Mr. Kenneth K. S. Dadzie as Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development for a period of three years, beginning on 1 January 1989 and ending on 31 December 1991.

3. The Secretary-General proposes that the appointment of Mr. Dadzie be extended for a period of three months, through 31 March 1992.

4. The Secretary-General expresses the hope that the General Assembly will confirm this extension of appointment.

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IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECLARATION ON THE GRANTING OF INDEPENDENCE TO COLONIAL COUNTRIES AND PEOPLES

PROPOSED PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1992-1993

Programme budget implications of draft resolutions A/46/L.27 and A/46/L.28

Report of the Fifth Committee

Rapporteur: Mr. Mahmoud BARIMANI (Islamic Republic of Iran)

1. At its 46th meeting, on 7 December 1991, the Fifth Committee, pursuant to rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, considered the statement by the Secretary-General (A/C.5/46/57) on the programme budget implications of the draft resolutions A/46/L.27 and A/46/L.28. The related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions was presented orally by its Chairman.

2. Statements and comments made in the course of the Committee's consideration of this item are reflected in the relevant summary record (A/C.5/46/SR.46).

DECISION OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE

3. The Fifth Committee decided, without a vote, to inform the General Assembly that, should it adopt draft resolutions A/46/L.27 and A/46/L.28 their implementation would not require any modification of the programme of work under sections 6 (Special political questions; regional cooperation; trusteeship and decolonization) and 31 (Public information). It further decided to inform the General Assembly that, should it adopt the draft resolutions A/46/L.27 and A/46/L.28 no additional appropriation would be required under the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1992-1993.

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FINANCING OF THE UNITED NATIONS ADVANCE MISSION IN CAMBODIA

Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

1. The Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions has considered the report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Advance Mission in Cambodia (UNAMIC) (A/46/723). During its consideration of this item, representatives of the Secretary-General provided additional information to the Advisory Committee.

2. In view of the late submission of the Secretary-General's report on the financing of UNAMIC and the urgent need for the General Assembly to complete its consideration and appropriate the necessary funds for this operation, the Advisory Committee is presenting only an abbreviated report on this matter which summarizes its recommendations. It is hoped that in future reports the Advisory Committee can revert to its traditional format for analysis of the Secretary-General's proposals and submission of its recommendations thereon.

3. According to paragraph 8 of the report, the Secretary-General estimates the cost of UNAMIC for the period of 6 months, beginning 1 November 1991 at $15,811,100 gross ($15,406,400 net) at full cost, including commitments up to $6 million entered into for the emplacement of UNAMIC with the concurrence of the Advisory Committee under the provisions of General Assembly resolution 44/203 on unforeseen and extraordinary expenses. In section IV of his report, the Secretary-General states that voluntary contributions in kind have been received in the total amount of $8,035,984, consisting of a military support unit of 40 personnel ($1,178,880) and an air support unit of 112 personnel ($6,857,104), which have been taken into account in the total resource requirements. The Committee points out that voluntary contributions are to be administered in accordance with the procedures established under the terms of paragraph 2 of General Assembly resolution 34/9 D of 17 December 1979.

4. The Committee recalls its recommendations in paragraph 20 of its report (A/43/768), which were approved by the General Assembly in section II of its resolution 43/230, that cash received should be recognized as income credited to the special account for the operation and, bearing in mind the amount of contributions so far collected, this amount should be taken into account in calculating the amount to be assessed on Member States for the next mandate period. As for the contributions in kind, following the formulation of technical guidelines for the valuation of supplies and services, as endorsed by the General Assembly in paragraph 5 of its resolution 44/192 A, the relevant cash equivalent amount should be used eventually to reduce the costs to Member States for the operation.

5. The Committee notes from paragraph 8 of the report that the estimated total requirements for UNAMIC are at full cost. The Committee was informed that in the meantime an additional voluntary contribution in the amount of $74,800 for travel of 20 mine awareness personnel has been made and that the mission subsistence allowance (MSA) for 112 air support personnel (annex II, para. 11) would be required for only 80 air support staff, resulting in savings of $255,744. In this connection, the Committee notes that while the 112 air support personnel have been listed in the report under military personnel (annex II, table 1), payment of subsistence allowance is provided instead of reimbursement to the contributor. The Committee recalls that the model agreement between the United Nations and Member States contributing personnel and equipment provides:

> "in the case of formed bodies of troops, the United Nations ... shall reimburse the Government of [Participating State] at the standard rate(s) established by the General Assembly in respect of pay and allowances, supplementary payment for specialists, usage factor for personal clothing, gear and equipment - and personal weaponry, including ammunition ..." (A/46/185, para. 16)

6. The Committee notes that MSA at the rate of $111 per day is based on the assumption that individuals are expected to provide their own meals and accommodation (annex II, para. 5); however, it is expected that UNAMIC will be required to obtain commercial leases for all its premises and accommodation requirements or to erect prefabricated units where necessary (annex II, para. 13). The Committee was informed that the above rate would be reduced considerably where accommodation and/or meals are provided, which would result in further savings.

7. Upon inquiry, representatives of the Secretary-General further stated that the full deployment of 152 civilian personnel would not be achieved by 10 December 1991 as planned: 194 military personnel have arrived against 228 planned and 47 out of 152 civilian personnel have been deployed while 105 staff are expected to arrive only in January 1992. The Committee was informed that the reductions for the delay in the deployment of staff are as follows: mission subsistence allowance for military personnel, including correction in the number of air support staff mentioned in paragraph 5 above ($817,500) and civilian staff ($153,200), civilian staff salaries ($221,300)

and common staff costs ($129,500), taking into account errors in the original estimates and support account for peace-keeping operations ($42,800), amounting to total reductions of $1,364,300 net. The Committee was further informed that the functions of the planned D-1 post in the Office of the Chief of Mission (annex IV) would be carried out at the P-5 level.

8. With regard to air operations at estimated costs of $749,000, the Committee is of the view that the provision of 4 helicopters with 55 monthly-flight hours each and one cargo aircraft with 100 flight hours is high and might not be fully required from the inception of UNAMIC, taking into account the delay in deployment. The Committee further believes that the estimates for furniture and equipment such as typewriters and air-conditioners are high and reductions are possible. Taking into account that provision is also made for a chartered aircraft to transport supplies and equipment from the supply stock at Pisa and other peace-keeping operations, the Committee understands that some equipment wil be charged to UNAMIC below market cost, thus resulting in further savings.

9. In view of the Committee's observations in paragraphs 5 to 8 above, and taking into account the additional voluntary contributions of $74,800 mentioned in paragraph 5 above and the savings of $1,364,300 net referred to in paragraph 7 above, the Advisory Committee recommends that the General Assembly appropriate and assess a total of $13,967,300 net for the six-month period of UNAMIC, beginning 1 November 1991.

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QUESTION OF PALESTINE

PROPOSED PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1992-1993

Programme budget implications of draft resolutions A/46/L.33, A/46/L.34 and A/46/L.35

Report of the Fifth Committee

Rapporteur: Mr. Mahmoud BARIMANI (Islamic Republic of Iran)

1. At its 49th meeting, on 11 December 1991, the Fifth Committee, pursuant to rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, considered the statement by the Secretary-General (A/C.5/46/59) on the programme budget implications of draft resolutions A/46/L.33, A/46/L.34 and A/46/L.35. The recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions were presented orally by the Chairman of the Fifth Committee.

2. Statements and comments made in the course of the Committee's consideration of this item are reflected in the relevant summary record (A/C.5/46/SR.49).

3. A statement in explanation of position after the decision was made by the representative of the United States of America.

DECISION OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE

4. The Fifth Committee decided, without a vote, to inform the General Assembly that, should it adopt draft resolutions A/46/L.33, A/46/L.34 and A/46/L.35, no additional appropriations and no modifications in the programme of work would be required under sections 4, 31 or 32 of the proposed programme

budget for the biennium 1992-1993. The Fifth Committee further recommended that the General Assembly approve an exception to the provisions of its resolution 40/243 of 18 December 1985, under which all bodies should meet at their established headquarters, in respect of the meetings which are to be held away fom the established headquarters of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.

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THE FINANCIAL SITUATION OF THE UNITED NATIONS

Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

1. The Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions recalls that in resolution 45/236 entitled "Current financial crisis and financial emergency of the United Nations", the General Assembly had, inter alia, requested the Secretary-General to "submit a report giving his best projections of the financial situation of the Organization", and "a detailed analysis of the financial situation of the Organization, including reimbursements owed to Member States for their participation in peace-keeping operations". In this connection, the Secretary-General has submitted his reports (A/46/600 and A/46/600/Add.1) on the financial situation of the United Nations to the Advisory Committee for its consideration.

2. The Committee notes that the first report (A/46/600) provides a broad outline of the financial situation facing the Organization and reflects the increasingly serious conditions prevailing in 1991, while the second report, (A/46/600/Add.1) in addition to providing supplementary information on the current situation, attempts to address the endemic problem with proposals for the future.

3. The Advisory Committee agrees with the Secretary-General's view that failure by Member States to pay their assessed contributions, in full and on time, whether for the regular budget or for peace-keeping operations, has in large measure been the reason for the present precarious financial situation of the Organization. Moreover, the fact that the Organization has now been called upon more frequently to undertake increasingly complex, diverse tasks, particularly in the areas of peace-keeping and conflict resolution, without the commensurate financial resources, has further exacerbated the situation. In this context, the Advisory Committee believes that it is incumbent upon

Member States to meet their statutory obligations to the Organization to ameliorate the current financial situation and avoid any long-term deleterious effects.

4. In paragraph 5 of A/46/600 the Secretary-General states that throughout all of 1991 it was necessary to draw upon the cash reserves of the Organization (i.e., the Working Capital Fund and the Special Account), totalling approximately $236 million. From mid-August until mid-October, to meet regular budget obligations as well as requirements of new peace-keeping operations, because the cash reserves were completely exhausted, the Secretary-General was obliged to borrow several times from the peace-keeping funds which had cash in excess of their immediate requirements. The Secretary-General concludes that prompt repayment of the internal borrowings already taken is far from assured and unless substantial contributions are received shortly the cash required to meet regular budget obligations and those of new peace-keeping operations will exceed the funds available from existing peace-keeping accounts.

5. From annex II to document A/46/600/Add.1, the Advisory Committee notes that as at 31 October 1991 unpaid assessed contributions to the regular budget totalled $524.6 million of which $138.4 million represented arrears for 1990 and prior years and $386.2 million is for 1991. At the same date, unpaid assessed contributions for peace-keeping operations totalled $463.5 million. This information is also detailed in paragraphs 6 to 12 of that document. As stated therein the pattern of payment of these assessed contributions has continued to deteriorate, and as shown in the table in paragraph 7, "the pattern in 1991 was much worse than that of recent years". The relationship of outstanding contributions for the current seven peace-keeping operations to the amounts assessed for each is given in the table following paragraph 11. It is also estimated that as at 31 December 1991 unpaid debts to Member States, which have participated in these peace-keeping operations under agreements that provided for reimbursement for services rendered (mainly provision of troops), will amount to approximately $205 million.

6. In addition, the accumulated level of credits due to Member States through the continued suspension of the financial regulations is shown in annex III of the Secretary-General's report (A/46/600/Add.1). In part, these are the counterpart of unpaid assessed contributions. However, the balance reflects an additional burden borne by those Member States which have paid in full.

7. In seeking a viable as well as durable solution to the situation the Secretary-General has put forward a set of proposals which are summarized in paragraph 5 of A/46/600/Add.1.

8. The Advisory Committee was also provided with information on cash flow projections which indicate a precarious financial position up to and beyond 31 December 1991. That being said, the Committee believes that the proposals submitted by the Secretary-General in A/46/600/Add.1, including the proposal to adopt a set of measures to deal with the cash flow problems, are geared

towards a long-term solution and do not adequately address the immediate financial situation. The Committee, in considering document A/46/600/Add.1, has borne this in mind and makes its comments accordingly.

9. With regard to proposal No. 1 (a), charging of interest on unpaid assessments, the Advisory Committee believes that the time has come to seriously consider such a proposal, which may well be an effective disincentive to late payment. However, the proposal as outlined by the Secretary-General is not sufficiently explained, nor does it address many of the reasons given by Member States for late or non-payment of assessed contributions despite the requirements of the financial regulations of the United Nations. The Advisory Committee is therefore of the opinion that before such charges can be considered a detailed proposal which would address the various causes of the problem as well as the modalities of the system envisaged would have to be outlined.

10. With regard to proposal No. 1 (b), the continued suspension of financial regulations 4.3, 4.4 and 5.2 as outlined in paragraphs 27 to 36 of the report (A/46/600/Add.1), which permit the retention of budgetary surpluses, the Advisory Committee recalls the Secretary-General's statements in his report (A/C.5/44/27) that "suspension of the provisions of these financial regulations can only be regarded as a temporary palliative for the financial difficulties of the Organization, since the amounts so realized must be returned to Member States at some point, that is, when the financial situation of the Organization permits", and "the intended effect of this arrangement is only realized, however, when assessments are paid in full". The Advisory Committee concurs in this view but emphasizes the need to maintain this as a temporary measure on a case-by-case basis.

11. The Advisory Committee's views regarding a further increase in the Working Capital Fund (proposal No. 1 (c)) have already been expressed in its report on the subject to the forty-fifth session of the General Assembly. (A/45/860).

12. With regard to proposal No. 1 (d), the Advisory Committee agrees with the establishment of a peace-keeping reserve fund. However, the Committee believes that a policy decision by the General Assembly is required on the principle of financing for the fund. Should the General Assembly agree to the proposed transfer of residual fund balances from UNTAG and UNIIMOG to the new fund, the Committee believes that this should be done in a manner which would take into account the interests of those Member States which have fulfilled their financial obligations to the Organization.

13. In paragraph 47 of his report (A/46/600/Add.1) the Secretary-General states that

> "Once the United Nations Peace Endowment Fund is established and comes into full operation (see paras. 57 to 63 below), the balance of the Peace-keeping Reserve Fund could be transferred to the Peace Endowment Fund."

However, in the opinion of the Advisory Committee the establishment of the Peace-keeping Reserve Fund and the Peace Endowment Fund (proposal No. 3) should be two different issues. While the Committee is in favour of establishing the former, the Committee believes that the establishment of the Peace Endowment Fund requires a policy decision by the General Assembly before such questions as its level and operational procedures can be reported on by the Advisory Committee.

14. Notwithstanding the reasons given by the Secretary-General in paragraphs 48 to 52 of his report (proposal No. 1 (e)), the Advisory Committee continues to affirm its belief that borrowing in the open market is not prudent. As indicated in its earlier reports (A/36/701 and A/42/861), the Advisory Committee is of the view that such borrowing would involve payment of interest which could be substantial (despite the current availability of relatively low interest rates), and would thus impose additional financial burdens on all Member States.

15. With respect to the Secretary-General's proposal to establish a Humanitarian Revolving Fund, (proposal No. 2), for reasons similar to those mentioned in paragraph 12 above, the Advisory Committee believes that it is not in a position to make recommendations at this stage. When the General Assembly has taken a policy decision, the Advisory Committee will revert to the matter and examine the technical modalities involved.

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THE SITUATION IN CENTRAL AMERICA:
THREATS TO INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND
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SECURITY COUNCIL
Forty-sixth year

Letter dated 6 December 1991 from the Permanent Representatives of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and the United States of America to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

We have the honour to transmit the text, in English and Russian, of a joint statement of the United States Department of State and the Ministry of External Relations of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics on El Salvador issued on 2 December 1991 (see annex). We also take the opportunity to reiterate the appreciation of our Governments for your skilful and tireless efforts on behalf of the cause of peace in El Salvador.

We should be grateful if you would have the text of the present letter and its annex circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 31, and of the Secretary-General.

(Signed) Thomas R. PICKERING
Ambassador
Permanent Representative
United States of America

(Signed) Yuliy M. VORONTSOV
Deputy Foreign Minister
Ambassador
Permanent Representative
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ANNEX

Joint Union of Soviet Socialist Republics-United States of America statement on El Salvador: peace talks

Having reviewed the situation at the ongoing talks on the peaceful settlement of the crisis in El Salvador, the USSR Ministry of External Relations and the United States Department of State have agreed upon the following joint statement:

"The efforts made over the past year by the opposing Salvadoran parties towards ending the armed confrontation and assuring conditions in which all Salvadorans will be guaranteed equal, non-discriminatory participation in internal political processes have produced a number of important decisions. These provide realistic prospects for achieving early agreements to end the protracted conflict in this Central American country.

Of particular significance were the agreements reached during the April and September negotiating rounds between representatives of the Government of El Salvador and the FMLN leadership, conducted respectively in Mexico City and New York, with major contributions by United Nations Secretary-General, Javier Pérez de Cuéllar, and his personal representative at these talks, Alvaro de Soto.

The recent steps to terminate offensive combat operations taken by the Government and the FMLN have helped create favourable conditions for the success of the meeting between the representatives of the Government and the FMLN being held in Mexico.

The USSR and the United States believe that it is important that both the Government and the FMLN observe their announced commitments in order to sustain the emerging constructive approach. The USSR and the United States strongly urge the Salvadoran parties and the United Nations to extend every effort to achieve by the end of the year the goals set by the participants in the talks themselves: to agree on remaining issues; to reach agreement on an internationally supervised cease-fire; and to begin to implement measures aimed at national reconciliation. They note that a United Nations-supervised cease-fire is urgently required to consolidate the progress that has been made and to put a definitive end to the conflict.

The USSR and the United States declare their intention to continue to provide all possible support for a peaceful resolution of the crisis in El Salvador. They urge all the interested States and the United Nations to do everything possible to secure the earliest possible achievement of these objectives."

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FINANCING OF THE UNITED NATIONS OBSERVER GROUP IN CENTRAL AMERICA

Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

1. The Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions has considered the report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Observer Group in Central America (ONUCA) (A/46/745). During its consideration of the item, representatives of the Secretary-General provided additional information to the Committee.

2. In view of the late submission of the Secretary-General's report on the financing of ONUCA, and the urgent need for the General Assembly to complete its consideration and appropriate the necessary funds for this operation, the Advisory Committee is presenting an abbreviated report on this matter that summarizes its recommendations. It is hoped that in future reports the Advisory Committee can revert to its traditional format for analysis of the Secretary-General's proposals and submission of its recommendations thereon.

3. As stated in paragraph 6 of A/46/745, assessments totalling $82.8 million have been apportioned among Member States in respect of ONUCA for the period from inception to 7 November 1991, against which contributions totalling $74.0 million have been received, leaving a balance due of approximately $8.8 million. For the reasons provided in paragraphs 18 and 19 of the report, the Secretary-General recommends that no action be taken at this time in connection with the projected net unencumbered balance of $2,188,700 as well as the interest and miscellaneous income of $1,778,500 and that these amounts be retained in the ONUCA Special Account pending the receipt of the outstanding assessed contributions.

4. In this connection, the Advisory Committee recalls that, as shown in annex IX.A and discussed in paragraphs 17 and 18 of the Secretary-General's

report, credits amounting to $17,337,700 gross ($17,106,600 net) have been made to Member States thus far given the unencumbered balance.

5. In view of the cash deficit in the ONUCA account, estimated at $4,109,000 as at 30 November 1991, as shown in annex IX.B of the report, the Advisory Committee will not object to the Secretary-General's recommendation at this time; however, it intends to review the question of crediting unencumbered balances to Member States at a later stage.

6. The Advisory Committee also does not object to the Secretary-General's proposal, as outlined in paragraphs 14 and 15 of his report to extend and apply to ONUCA the standing decision, as contained in the annex to General Assembly resolution 45/265, concerning the special arrangements for the application of regulations 4.3 and 4.4 of article IV of the Financial Regulations of the United Nations. However, the Committee also intends to examine, at a later date, the rate at which outstanding obligations in respect of all peace-keeping operations are liquidated.

7. The report of the Secretary-General includes performance reports for ONUCA for the periods from 7 November 1990 to 7 May 1991 and from 7 May to 7 November 1991. With regard to the latter period, the Secretary-General notes in paragraph 20 that "the appropriation of the amount of $14,400,400 gross ($13,898,800 net) authorized and apportioned in paragraph 9 of General Assembly resolution 45/247" is needed, as well as action "to offset the amount of $5,400,400 gross ($5,398,800 net) as credits to Member States against their assessments." In this connection, the Secretary-General recalls in paragraph 4 that, in giving its concurrence for the entering into commitments of $14,400,400 gross for the mandate period from 7 May to 7 November 1991, the Advisory Committee recommended that $5,400,400 gross be credited to the assessments of Member States.

8. In paragraph 12 of his report, the Secretary-General estimates the cost for the operation for the period 7 November 1991 to 30 April 1992 at $13,082,100 gross ($12,673,400 net). In the event that its mandate is renewed beyond 30 April 1992 and assuming continuance of its existing responsibilities, the Secretary-General estimates the costs of ONUCA to be $2,267,700 gross ($2,196,700 net) per month from 1 May 1992 to 30 April 1993. In this connection, the Secretary-General requests the General Assembly, at its present session, to make appropriate provision for the maintenance of ONUCA for the period beyond 30 April 1992.

9. Annexes VI and VII of the Secretary-General's report provide a summary statement and supplementary information with regard to the Secretary-General's estimate of $13,082,100 gross ($12,673,400 net) for the period 7 November 1991 to 30 April 1992. In this connection, representatives of the Secretary-General informed the Committee that the provision of $25,000 for a public information campaign, included under the subheading supplies and services, should be deleted, thereby reducing the total estimate.

10. The estimate for the period ending 30 April 1992 also includes $3,454,600 for international and local staff; as explained in annex VII, this includes not only salaries and common staff costs in respect of the 142 staff members, but also mission subsistence allowance for the 56 international staff and a provision for official travel and representation allowance. In response to inquiry, the Committee was informed that over the preceding five months, an average of four Professional, two Field Service and three local level posts were vacant. In this connection, the Committee notes from annex IV that savings were realized under this heading in the previous mandate period due to vacancies for international staff.

11. The cost estimate also includes $720,200 for the rental, operation and maintenance of fixed wing aircraft; this compares to an estimate of $265,100 for the mandate period 7 May to 7 November 1991. The Advisory Committee notes from annex VII that the increase relates to the provision for the rental of one twin otter aircraft beginning 1 December 1991, to replace the Dornier aircraft provided by the Government of Germany as a voluntary contribution in kind. In response to inquiry, the Committee was informed that the use of a second aircraft was considered necessary by the Chief Military Observer to fulfil the terms of the current mandate. However, the Committee was further informed that the contract for the second aircraft will be entered into only on a month-by-month basis, thereby facilitating matters in the event that requirements under this object change (see paras. 12 and 13 below). The Committee also notes that while the provision for the second aircraft covers the five-month period from 1 December 1991 to 30 April 1992, no commitments have been entered into as of 11 December 1991 for the second aircraft.

12. In considering the Secretary-General's estimates, the Committee bore in mind Security Council resolution 719 (1991) of 6 November 1991 which, in addition to extending the mandate of ONUCA, requested the Secretary-General "to keep the Security Council fully informed of further developments and to report on all aspects of the operations of the Observer Group before the expiry of the new mandate period and in particular to report to the Council within three months from the date of adoption of the present resolution, taking account of any developments in the region which indicate that the present size of the Observer Group or its future should be reconsidered." This request is in line with the Secretary-General's suggestion as contained in his report to the Security Council. 1/

13. The Advisory Committee notes that the outcome of that review may affect the operational requirements of the Observer Group. In this connection, the Committee notes from paragraph 14 of the Secretary-General's report 1/ that "patrolling on land, in the air and at sea since 7 May 1991 has been maintained at or above the levels achieved during the previous six months". However, the Advisory Committee also recalls that in his previous report 2/ the Secretary-General referred to a study undertaken on the cost-effectiveness of ONUCA's current method of operation, which took into account, inter alia, that ONUCA's extensive patrolling activities had not up to that point led to the detection of a single violation of the Esquipulas II undertakings. While the study concluded that ONUCA should continue to maintain a regular and

visible presence through patrolling, it also concluded that the emphasis of ONUCA's presence in the border areas should be more directly focused on liaison and the exchange of information with the security authorities of the States concerned. Bearing this in mind, the Advisory Committee is of the view that developments in the region might give rise to changes in patrolling activity, and thus to economies, particularly under the provision of aircraft.

14. In the circumstances, and bearing in mind its observations in paragraphs 9, 10 and 13 above, the Advisory Committee recommends that the General Assembly approve an estimate in the amount of $12 million net for the period 7 November 1991 to 30 April 1992.

15. Subject to the decision to be taken by the Security Council on the renewal of ONUCA after 30 April 1992, and assuming continuance of its existing responsibilities, the Advisory Committee, bearing in mind its recommendation for the current mandate period, is of the view that requirements for ONUCA for the period 1 May 1992 to 31 October 1992 should not exceed $12,000,000 net. On that basis, the Advisory Committee recommends that the General Assembly approve commitment authority up to the level of $2,000,000 net per month for the six-month period beginning 1 May 1992, subject to the prior concurrence of the Advisory Committee. In approving the actual level of commitments, the Advisory Committee would take into consideration the latest information to be submitted by the Secretary-General concerning developments in the region and the consequential effects on the Group's requirements.

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SECURITY COUNCIL
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Letter dated 11 December 1991 from the Permanent Representative of Jordan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

On instructions from my Government, I have the honour to inform you that on the afternoon of Wednesday, 11 December 1991, the Israeli occupation authorities installed on the western wall of the Holy Al-Aqsa Mosque (Al-Buraq Wall) at least eight loudspeakers oriented in the direction of the Mosque and its courtyards. This constitutes an extremely grave violation of the sanctity of this Holy Place, a blatant provocation to the sentiments of Muslims, a desecration of the things they hold most sacred and open interference with the freedom of worship of congregants engaged in their religious observances.

The Jordanian Government would like to call attention to the serious character of this measure. It is being taken in the context of Israel's ongoing practices aimed at the obliteration of Islamic religious landmarks in the Holy City and their Judaization, which will have the same dire consequences as the incident that took place in the precinct of the Haram al-Sharif on 8 October 1990.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 73, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Abdullah SALAH
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

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FINANCING OF THE ACTIVITIES ARISING FROM SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 687 (1991):

(a) UNITED NATIONS IRAQ-KUWAIT OBSERVATION MISSION

Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

1. The Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions has considered the report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the activities arising from Security Council resolution 687 (1991) concerning the United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission (UNIKOM) (A/46/746). During its consideration of the item, representatives of the Secretary-General provided additional information to the Committee.

2. In view of the late submission of the Secretary-General's report on the financing of UNIKOM and the urgent need for the General Assembly to complete its consideration and appropriate the necessary funds for this operation, the Advisory Committee is presenting only an abbreviated report on this matter which summarizes its recommendations. It is hoped that in future reports the Advisory Committee can revert to its traditional format for analysis of the Secretary-General's proposals and submission of its recommendations thereon.

3. As stated in paragraph 2 of the Secretary-General's report, by its resolution 45/260 of 3 May 1991, the General Assembly appropriated an amount of $60,977,000 gross ($60 million net) for the operation of UNIKOM from 9 April to 8 October 1991; assessments totalling $60,296,777 were apportioned among Member States (A/46/746, para. 4). The Advisory Committee notes from paragraph 6 of the Secretary-General's report that an unencumbered balance of $5,157,800 gross ($4,939,500 net) exists in respect of this period; however, in paragraph 10 the Secretary-General recommends that "in light of the outstanding assessed contributions of $20,684,193 that remain uncollected ... no action be taken, at this time, in connection with the unencumbered balance". In the circumstances, the Advisory Committee concurs in this request.

4. The Advisory Committee notes from annexes I and II that substantial savings were realized under, in particular, civilian staff costs, helicopter operations, and freight and cartage; these were partially offset by overruns under other objects of expenditure. The Advisory Committee further notes that the savings under civilian staff costs relate to vacancies for international staff and delays in employing local staff; at the end of the mandate period (8 October 1991), 16 international posts remained vacant.

5. The Secretary-General estimates the cost of UNIKOM for the period 9 October 1991 to 8 October 1992 at $72,382,200 gross ($70,480,200 net); a summary of that estimate and supplementary information are provided in annexes IV and V respectively of the Secretary-General's report. As indicated in paragraph 11, the Secretary-General is requesting an appropriation for one half of that amount, i.e. $36,191,100 gross ($35,240,100 net) in respect of the six-month period from 9 October 1991 to 8 April 1992, and "provision by means of appropriation and/or commitment authorization" for the six-month period after 8 April 1992, should the Security Council decide to continue UNIKOM beyond that date.

6. The Advisory Committee notes that annex V, under each subheading, compares the revised apportionment of the preceding six-month period with the estimate for the subsequent 12 months. The Advisory Committee recommends that in future, the periods compared be of the same duration.

7. The Advisory Committee notes that the estimates for the period 9 October 1991 to 8 October 1992 are based in some instances on different assumptions than the previous estimates, e.g. number of military and civilian personnel. The estimates include, as before, provision for six helicopters; however, in the case of fixed-wing aircraft, provision has been included for the commercial hire of a fixed-wing aircraft which would supplement the two fixed-wing aircraft provided by the Government of Switzerland. The Advisory Committee also notes from paragraphs 78 and 79 that $6.2 million has been included for observation equipment as described therein. The amount includes $5.4 million for six Ground Surveillance Radars.

8. The Advisory Committee discussed this at some length with representatives of the Secretary-General. The Committee was informed that systems are currently being tested and that once it is determined which system best meets the requirements of UNIKOM various Governments will be approached with a view to ascertaining whether such a system could be made available. If not, bids would be invited. The Committee was further informed that the cost of $5.4 million was indicative only.

9. The Committee is of the view that savings may be realized under a variety of objects in line with the experience during the first mandate period. In the circumstances, the Advisory Committee recommends that the General Assembly approve an estimate in the amount of $33.6 million gross for the financing of UNIKOM for the period 9 October 1991 to 8 April 1992.

10. Subject to the decision to be taken by the Security Council on the renewal of the mandate of UNIKOM after 8 April 1992, the Advisory Committee is of the view that requirements for UNIKOM for the period 9 April to 8 October 1992 should, at this time, not exceed $33.6 million gross. On that basis, the Advisory Committee recommends that the General Assembly approve commitment authority up to the level of $5.6 million per month for the six-month period beginning 9 April 1992, subject to the prior concurrence of the Advisory Committee. In approving the actual level of commitments, the Advisory Committee would take into consideration the latest information to be submitted by the Secretary-General concerning the operations and mandate of UNIKOM.

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UNITED NATIONS EDUCATIONAL AND TRAINING PROGRAMME FOR SOUTHERN AFRICA

PROPOSED PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1992-1993

Programme budget implications of draft resolutions A/46/L.25, A/46/L.31, A/46/L.32, A/46/L.41, A/46/L.42 and A/46/L.43

Report of the Fifth Committee

Rapporteur: Mr. Mahmoud BARIMANI (Islamic Republic of Iran)

1. At its 50th meeting, on 12 December 1991, the Fifth Committee, pursuant to rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, considered the statement by the Secretary-General (A/C.5/46/63) on the programme budget implications of the draft resolutions A/46/L.25, A/46/L.31, A/46/L.32, A/46/L.41, A/46/L.42 and A/46/L.43. The related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions was presented orally.

2. Statements and comments made in the course of the Committee's consideration of this item are reflected in the relevant summary record (A/C.5/46/SR.50).

DECISION OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE

3. The Fifth Committee decided, without a vote, to inform the General Assembly that, should it adopt draft resolutions A/46/L.25, A/46/L.31, A/46/L.32, A/46/L.41, A/46/L.42 and A/46/L.43 their implementation would not require any modification of the programme of work under sections 7 (Elimination of apartheid) and 31 (Public Information). It further decided to inform the General Assembly that, no additional appropriations would be required under the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1992-1993.

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